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EXDIS MIL ADDEES HANDLE AS SPECAT EXCLUSIVE

FOLLOWING REPEAT LONDON 16689 ACTION SECSTATE DTD 18 OCT 76.

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STATE PASS SECDEF, CINCUSAFE, USCINCEUR, HQ 3AF RAF  
MILDENHALL, UK, HANDLE AS SPECAT EXCLUSIVE

E.O. 11652: XGDS-1  
TAGS: MARR, NATO, UK  
SUBJECT: AIRCRAFT BASING

REFERENCE: A) STATE 256260; B) LONDON 16617

1. PALMER, DEPUTY HEAD, DEFENSE DEPARTMENT, FCO, CONFIRMED THIS EVENING THAT LANGUAGE PROPOSED IN STATE 244293 AND STATE 248004 IS ACCEPTABLE TO HMG. AS FAR AS WHITEHALL IS CONCERNED, THE AIRCRAFT BASING ANNOUNCEMENT MAY BE ISSUED AT ANY TIME WE WISH. PALMER SAID MOD MAY WISH IN DAY OR TWO TO WORDSMITH PROPOSED ANNOUNCEMENT

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BUT THAT WHITEHALL IS AGREED ON BASIC ACCEPTABILITY OF

PROPOSED US LANGUAGE. FCO ASKS THAT WE KEEP HMG INFORMED  
OF THE "BONN TIE" TO THIS MATTER. BRITISH ARE HOPEFUL  
THAT WASHINGTON GO-AHEAD ON THE ANNOUNCEMENT WILL COME  
EARLY ON THE HEELS OF THE ELECTION; BRITISH PURPOSES  
BEING BEST ACCOMMODATED BY THE FORMULA: NOVEMBER IS  
PREFERABLE TO DECEMBER WHICH IS PREFERABLE TO JANUARY.

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